

# EAST MICHIGAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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## EMCOG FULL COUNCIL & RED TEAM MEETING

**Friday, July 13, 2018 10:00 am**

**Iosco Regional Education Service Agency (IRESA)**

**27 North Rempert Road**

**Tawas City, MI 48763**

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### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by acting Chairperson Mrdeza. Members were welcomed to Iosco County and the IRESA facility.

The roll was called, and a quorum was present. The County welcomed guest Heath Kaplan, Beaverton City Manager, and Brent Barringer, East Tawas City Manager.

#### Approval of Agenda

Moved by C/Dworzecki, seconded by C/Byard to accept and approve the agenda. Motion carried.

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Moved by Byard, seconded by Redmond to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

#### Public Comment Period:

There was no public comment.

#### Integrated Economic Development Reports:

##### **Dave Engelhardt – Transportation:**

Dave provided an overview of the current Asset Management process, including PASER, and entertained questions from members. C/Balzer specifically asked for information on the annual PASER training for local officials so that he might pass the information along to the new Interim City Manager in Gladwin and others.

##### **Jane Fitzpatrick – ECM PR-5**

Jane reported that we had received a copy of the approved 2019 RPI boilerplate however there was a typo within the document which will have to be fixed in Lansing. This will occur most likely in the summer. She also reviewed the 2018 RPI mini and micro-grant programs and reported that she is analyzing proposed legislation regarding infrastructure funding in Michigan.

##### **Bill Ernat- Special Projects**

Bill reported that we have received word from Michigan State Police that Bay County's Hazard Mitigation application has been approved. We expect to hear more in August.

He also reported on the Iron Belle Trail activities including the issues facing Fraser Township in Bay County regarding financing ongoing maintenance of the trail.

**Chairman's Report:**

The acting Chair reported that the MEDA Annual Conference will be held in Frankenmuth this year from August 22 – 24, 2018 and the Michigan Association of Planning annual conference will be held at the Amway Grand from September 20-22, 2018. All are encouraged to attend.

A lengthy discussion ensued about the medical marijuana issue and how it is impacting various areas and local units throughout the state. More information is expected on this before the November election.

**Director's Report**

The Director's report was sent with the agenda. There were no questions.

**Financial Report** – Zygmunt Dworzecki

Moved by C/O'Farrell, seconded by Dworzecki to accept and file the financial report. Motion passed.

***OLD AND NEW BUSINESS***

**2019 Work Program & Budget:**

Moved by Dworzecki seconded by O'Farrell to authorize distribution of the proposed DRAFT work program and budget to members when complete for review and comment. Motion carried.

**2019 Regional Prosperity Initiative Grant:**

Moved by Dworzecki, seconded by Redmond to authorize Staff in concert with the ECM PR-5 Collaborative to apply for the 2019 Regional Prosperity Initiative grant as detailed in the 2019 Executive Budget and Legislative Boilerplate – Maximum Tier I Amount: \$245,000 along with \$70,000 in supplemental funding for Integrated Asset Management. Motion carried.

**Michigan Federal Project Review:** Moved by C/Dworzecki, seconded by Kroczaleski, to approve project reviews for member projects thereby authorizing their submission to the applicants and granting agencies and to acknowledge and assign numbers for the non-member applications. Motion passed.

**Any Other Business**

***Robert Balzer, Rising Tide:*** Bob reported on the City's recent Rising Tide award and other County EDC activities.

***Mandi Chasey*** – Mandi reported on the City of West Branch's recent Rising Tide award as well as their upcoming Daycare Needs Assessment as this plays a critical role within the community.

***Zygy Dworzecki*** – Zygy reported that the Tuscola County Planning Commission will be working on updating the Master Plan.

***Adam Kroczaleski*** – Adam reported on the recent difficulties caused by at least two river log jams in Arenac County and the frustration caused because no agencies are willing to take responsibility for removing same. Local officials have been in contact with Representatives Stamas and Wentworth about these matters.

The County also received \$50,000 from USDA for a feasibility study to move the Fairgrounds and Kathy Methner is working with the EDA on grant funding for the Industrial Park.

**Robert Redmond** – Bob reported that Falcon Asphalt has announced a major project for Williams Township.

There being no other business to come before the Council, the meeting was declared adjourned by the Chair at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sue Fortune*

Recording Secretary

**ADOPTED  
2018 MEETING SCHEDULE**

MONTH	TYPE	TIME	LOCATION
January 19, 2018	Full Council	10:00 a.m.	Andersen Enrichment Center
March 2, 2018 (March 19 <sup>th</sup> – if there is inclement weather)	Full Council	10:00 a.m.	City Hall – Mt. Pleasant, MI
May 4, 2018	Full Council	10:00 a.m.	Gladwin – Riverwalk Place
July 13, 2018	Full Council	10:00 a.m.	Iosco County (site to be determined)
September 14, 2018	Full Council	10:00 a.m.	Saganing Eagles Landing, Standish MI
November 2, 2018	Full Council	10:00 a.m.	Bay County - Location to be determined

All Council meetings begin at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude by 11:30. RED team follows at 11:45. There will be a short lunch break between meetings.

***NOTE: Members of the public are always welcome at any EMCOG Council meeting.***

**Meeting Guidelines**

- \* Participate in good faith and to promote collective learning and good communication
- \* Be honest, open-minded, and respectful when offering and listening to differing points of view. Disagree judiciously and respectfully.
- \* Respect time commitments in the agenda.  
Maintain focus on the issues and objectives at hand.
- \* Be mindful of comment length and the importance of encouraging participation from everyone in the group.